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WINNING TEAM RELAY SWIM



John Harvey, Peter Thiel, Chris Fydler and Grant Peters

AUSSIE MASTERS SWIMMING

On 12 February 2005, a number of Tatts Members attended a swimming carnival held at the North Sydney Pool. Good results were obtained by Alan Brown, Phil Madden and Andrew Davis. Coach Graham Hill also stepped up to the blocks to blow away some of the cobwebs. Cesar Puertolas was heard on the night, but we cannot remember seeing him.

The highlight of the night was the attempt on the Australian 120-159 years 4x50 metres Freestyle Relay Record, a record which has stood for over 17 years. Chris Fydler, John Harvey, Grant Peters and Peter Thiel all trained up for the race, and despite some doubt that John Harvey would turn up on the night due to the fact his wife Jennifer was due with their second child that night, all turned up fit and ready to race.

Cheered on by a strong contingent of Tatts supporters, including Jennifer who was 40 weeks pregnant, the race finally started at 11:15pm, and the Tatts boys all swam an excellent race, managing to break the old record by 1.5 seconds.

We have 8 members currently training up in readiness for racing at the Australian Swimming Masters Championships in Hobart at the end of March. With an "oldies" team and a "not quite as old" team, we hope to have a go at some more of the relay records across the age groups.

LUNCH TIME SWIMMING

The Tuesday/Thursday lunchtime races are well underway for 2005, and early winners are Andrew Torok who won the 50 metres for month 1,

Greg McMahon who won the 100 metres for Month 1 and Matthew Gwynne who won the Manchester Unity Award for Swimmer of the Month as a result of his consistent results in the 100 metres. Thanks should also go to John McCosker and David Castle, who despite being unable to compete at the moment, have been turning up to assist with the running of the races. Bill Debney has settled into the role of starter, and is cracking the whip to make sure the races are over and done with in the shortest possible time allowing members to enjoy a bite to eat before they go back to work. The Handicappers are under orders to be more generous than last year, and as a result, the racing has really opened up. Come along and have some fun racing in a relaxed atmosphere.

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Mark Bartrop
Tattersalls Secretary

The Club has got off to a flying start for 2005. Many of the upcoming Members functions will be memorable and should not be missed.

As you read this we would have already held the CEO's lunch. I hope you were quick enough to get tickets to this outstanding lunch as it is the first time all four CEO's of the major football codes have been guest speakers at the same function, a real coup for the Club!

The Super 12 is broadcast live in the Members' Bar every Friday night and has developed a strong following, come and join in. Black Tie Boxing will be with us again on 13 May with tickets on sale from Monday 11 April. This year promises to be a great night with interstate boxers and the irrepressible Vince Sorrenti performing live.

Look forward to seeing you around the Club.

Mark Bartrop
Secretary



Russell Debney

As usual by March in each year, the Club has settled down into its comfortable routine again. It always seems to take a month or two for the city to recover from the holiday season and this year is no different – except, that is, for a continuing good response to our membership drive which sees us pretty much on target and certainly ahead of last year. Equally pleasing is the retention rate this year which is a good deal better than last year.

To those new members who are beginning to see the benefits of participation in Club activities, I would suggest that they get in early for some of the more popular events in the yearly calendar. New members receive priority in their first year for events such as Black Tie Boxing. This is a must do event and is a sell-

out twice a year. The night has become a Sydney tradition and is a sought after occasion for client entertaining in particular.

To get most out of your Club, both in terms of the facilities and the friendships and contacts it generates, it pays to get involved in one or more of the sporting sub-groups. The Swimmers gather for a swim and lunch around the pool every Tuesday and Thursday. The Billiards and Snooker lads are there most lunchtimes and, as well, hold regular evening friendlies when a game or two can be enjoyed in great company over a drink or three, often with dinner. With lots more, including surfing, skiing, fishing and wine and food nights, Tattersalls Club offers something for everyone. If you want to know more, contact our Secretary, Mark Bartrop or one of his team and they will be pleased to get you started.

Russell Debney



Join the chairman on the last Thursday of each month following the committee meeting for free drinks in the members' bar.



Heading down the beach



Nightly entertainment



Peter Werner and
Glen Atkins

BOARD RIDERS' WEEKEND

A wonderful action packed weekend at Bendalong on the South Coast was the setting for the Tatts Boardriders in mid March.

A total of 34 participants including wives, girlfriends and kids made the 3 hour trek south of Sydney, revisiting the scene of the first TBR's weekend away in June last year. Glenn and Jenny Atkins holiday house was the focal point, and we rented 2 other houses.

Surfing was the focus and there was plenty of swell to contend with, mostly at Monuments Beach. The Saturday morning surf began ominously, when Phil (the Dugong) Reichelt, wiped out Justin Clyne and drew blood. While there appear to be some mitigating factors here, I am sure we have not heard the last of it. There were also rumblings of a spill of the Kahuna's position, for lack of crisis leadership, and he was told to count his numbers for the evening showdown. However by the time the

boofheads got into a few red wines, they forgot the challenge and it is status quo. On Saturday afternoon we were surfing with the Dolphins who were playing within touching distance at Monuments.

There was some fine surfing in challenging conditions on the weekend. Tim Maunsell has managed to hold on to his yellow leading surfer jersey, but is being pushed all the way by Glenn Atkins. Luke Morgan could have a mortgage on the Wipeout of the Year award, with a near perfect score on one big wall. This one could be difficult to top for the remainder of the year.

Great to see some new faces in the ranks, including Marty McConnell and family and Ashley Quinton. There are others climbing the rankings including The Dugong and George (Shirley Bassey) Clapham.

As is tradition, a mighty BBQ was held on Saturday night with all participating. The stories always get

better as the light fades and the beers and red wine kick in.

The regular after dinner entertainment was provided by the Peter Glenn Duo, aka the Trough Lollies.

The Kahuna embarrassingly lost the game of spoof for his team, and his team had to clean up for the masses. The Dugong reclaimed some of his fading reputation with a fine effort on the BBQ, both on Saturday evening, and for the big fryup on Sunday morning.

Again, a great weekend with heaps of action. Plenty of kudos to Glenn and Jenny Atkins.

Next on the program is a few days of surfing (and golf) around the Byron Bay swim on May 1st. The next Sunday morning surf will be at Bondi, to be advised, and we have also agreed to rebook the cabins at Gerringong for a mid October weekend.

Golf news

US MASTERS BIG BREAKFAST AND GOLF AT CAMMERAY

Following last years format we will be reconvening at Cammeray Golf club on Monday 11th April, to watch the last session of play. This will be accompanied by coffee and a big breakfast followed by nine holes of golf and a light lunch.

Members are encouraged to bring visitors and make use of the car parking facilities at the club.

Cost remains at \$50 including prizes and the club opens at 7 am. Please contact [rod@golfagent](mailto:rod@golfagent.com) for entries.

May 13th	Black Tie Boxing
May 22nd	Sydney Morning Herald Half Marathon
May 28-29th	Tattersalls Cycling Tour
June 3rd	Young Members' Night
June 14th	Legends of Origin Lunch

AD news

TATTERSALLS CLUB CYCLING TOUR 28TH-29TH MAY

Dear Cyclists,

Here is the first of two tours in 2005.

After last years successful tour of the Hunter, we will be again returning to the beautiful Port Stephens region. A tour in November will be held in the nations capital.

Please consider this tour and inform me of your interest. Better still, should you have friends who would enjoy a weekend away, please offer a warm Tattersalls invitation.

PROGRAM

SATURDAY - 70 KM PELOTON RIDE

SATURDAY - 1KM KING OF THE MOUNTAIN TIME TRIAL

SUNDAY - 16KM INDIVIDUAL TIME TRIAL

SUNDAY - 16KM TEAM TIME TRIAL (HANDICAPPED)

SUNDAY - 1KM SPRINT

New running group

Brad and Matt are taking a new running group out every Monday and Wednesday at 12.30pm.

Starting on Monday 4th April, all members and their friends are welcome. There will be 2 groups to cater for the fast and not so fast. This will be ideal training for the Half Marathon and City to Surf.

Join the Tattersalls Sydney Morning Herald Half Marathon Team.

What to do?

1. MAKE THE DECISION TO TEST YOURSELF.

2. Go to

www.halfmarathon.smh.com.au

3. Enter - Download entry form and send to SMH

4. Team category - FD, and Team name - TATTERSALLS

5. Inform Brad of your entry - e-mail address

6. Brad will supply training and race prep information

7. Come back to the club for continental breakfast after race

Brad Pamp.

SNOOKER REPORT

A Snooker Challenge Night was held on Thursday 10th March, which was won by Mark Twigg, the son of our Calcutta Winner Peter Twigg. Peter is a legend in the Club, and although advancing in age, is particularly young in Snooker years. To borrow from the Banjo "Peter made his pile, when Matrimonial Causes was a division of the Supreme Court, the old man with his hair as white as snow, but few can play beside him, when Snooker is to be fought, he would play and sink as best as man could go."

Mark Twigg defeated John Simpson, who recently said he only had one desire, he wanted to be the last man in the world, just to see if all those girls really meant what they said. The losing semi finalists were Peter Werner and Kaz Pociask (Kaz's motto is 'Outside a cigar, Snooker is man's best friend. Inside a cigar, it is too dark to play Snooker').

Over dinner, Adrian Abbott hit a bullseye with an address about the

commitment required of members to the Snooker Club. We were pleased to welcome a new and talented player Marwan Masri, who confessed that his life so far has been mostly dedicated to wine and women and Snooker, while the rest of the life he just wasted.

Unsurprisingly, Brae Antcliffe was considerably underwhelmed by the reduction in his handicap, which was of course occasioned by his considerable success last year.

Members are reminded that there will be the Snooker and Billiards Presentation and Snooker Calcutta Auction Dinner held on Thursday 14th April. The conditions of the entry to the Snooker Handicap are as follows;

1. \$25.00 entry fee
2. Winner's Prize \$1,000.00
3. Runner-Up Prize \$500.00

Entry forms are available in the Snooker Room and from the Office.

Chalky

CUT-AWAY COLLARS, DOUBLE CUFFS and WHAT'S THIS ABOUT CUFF-LINKS?

Every morning, says V.M., a lot of hard-working chaps slip into the serious boardroom suit, an anonymous shirt and the Problems of Business all in one seamless movement.

But quite often lately, characters who seem to be ahead of the game, come in for a shirt and ask, "What's fresh in cut-away collar shapes?" Such a customer is also asking for the double-cuff sleeve and impressive (or maybe witty) cuff-links.

He's just having fun? He's winning, too.



Vince Maloney on the park
Next door to tattersalls www.vincemaloney.com.au

Swimming



Joseph, Storry, De Mestre, Turner, Thiel, Konrads and Reichelt

OCEAN SWIMMING

With the ocean swimming season continuing well into the Autumn months, some great results continue to be recorded by Tattersalls members. Callum Macleod proved he has not disappeared completely, finishing 19th overall in the Dee Why ocean swim, and 85th in the South Steyne Classic. Phil "the Dugong" Reichelt was also spotted off the marine sanctuary near Shelly Beach, along with Brendan Maher who was on his home turf. Bruce Baird finished 4th in his age group and 160th overall in another excellent result.

The Sydney Harbour Swim was also well attended by Tatts members. A Tatts team of Shaun Clyne, Richard Jagger, Peter Thiel, James Crook and Mark Preston was entered in the clubs category. Ultimately the team won the Clubs team category, and was also the quickest team entered on the day across all the categories, thus taking out the title of Head of the Harbour. Excellent individual results were recorded by Shaun Clyne who finished 2nd in his age group and 17th overall, Peter Thiel who won his age group and finished 12th overall, Richard Jagger who finished 4th in his age group and 25th overall and Bruce Baird who finished 1st in his age group and 74th overall. Also sighted on the day were Ken Glover, David Robinson and Peter Joseph (who was kept out of the water by a strained ITB).

ROTTNEST ISLAND SWIM

This year, 3 Tattersalls Teams enter the Rottnest Island Swim. Entries in the race were filled in less than 24 hours in November last year, with over 2,300 swimmers registered to swim. There were 120 reserve teams who missed out on a swim. The swim runs from Cottesloe Beach to Rottnest Island, a total distance of 19.2 km. The Race had a staggered start with solo swimmers commencing the race at 5:45 am and the last of the team entries starting at 7:45am.



Race start Cottesloe Beach

The Tattersalls team of John de Mestre, Peter Thiel, Darren Turner and Simon Storry were fortunate enough to be introduced to Mark Pallister a local resident with a love of boats who generously offered to provide a boat for the race as well as skipper the boat during the race. Ably assisted by the professional approach of Mark, the Tatts team was able to win the team category overall (beating 510 teams) in 4 hrs 16 minutes as well as take out the race record for the 150+ age category by 8 minutes. The race strategy was to swim 5 minutes each at full race pace, and then to rest for 15 minutes. In all, each team member swam 12 five minute bursts. Although a gruelling program, this proved to be a winning formula. Although on the overall race record pace up to the 13km mark, the team encountered currents which slowed their progress over the final 7 kilometres of the race. The win was the first for a number of years by a non-Perth based team. The team also thanks Craig Johnston who flew all the way to Perth to paddle for the team – one of the toughest jobs on the day.



Turner, De Mestre, Thiel, Storry, Craig Johnston

A second Tattersalls team of Phil Reichelt, Ben Dillon, Luke Morgan and Alex Pope also took on the challenge, completing the race in 5 hrs 41 minutes. One of the highlights

of their race was when they lost Alex Pope who managed to take a right hand turn and head for Darwin. Fortunately the team located Alex before the local marine wildlife caught up with him.

A third Tattersalls team of Chris Horsley, Cameron Clyne, Doug Simpson and Bill Farrell also took on the channel. Team Horsley averaged under 19 minutes per kilometre including an electrifying first km of sub 14 minutes from the captain Chris. The team learned quickly from a number of dodgy early swim interchanges which resulted in lost time. The team completed the race in 6 hours 15 minutes, placing them 275 out of 510 teams, and they are keen to return next year to do it all again.



Parrakeet Bay Rottnest Island

BLACK TIE BOXING

Black Tie Boxing will be held on Friday 13th May. This popular fixture will feature seven high-class bouts throughout the evening.

Following the very successful event held in November 2004, our next event is picked to be the best yet. Featuring international fighters from Russia and the Ukraine, plus a number of interstate heavyweight fights.

Members and their guests will be treated to a three-course dinner and drinks throughout the evening, plus Vince Sorrenti performing live.

The night always sells out quickly, so get in early.

Bookings available at the administration office from Monday 11th April 9am.

Subsequently Renata will not be bribed or blackmailed once the tickets have been sold.

Cost of the evening is \$150.

Bookings: Contact the administration office on 9264 6111 or email: administration@tattersallclub.org.